

Mayor Will Attend First THC Meeting

The Torrance Hills Civic association will hold its first general meeting Wednesday, November 9, at Hillside school. Mayor Albert Isen will be the guest of honor.

articles and by-laws for incorporating the association under the state laws of California. The association completed its membership drive and has over 130 paid-up members. President Tom Abrams advises that residents in the Torrance Hills area who were possibly missed during the membership campaign may obtain more information by contacting Mrs. Lee O'Malley, membership chairman, 2942 Winlock road, DA. 6-1607.

Child Bride, Husband Booked for Burglary

A 15-year-old wife and her 19-year-old husband were being held this week on suspicion of burglary after assertedly trying to burglarize a number of homes in the area.

Ordered to appear for his preliminary hearing in South Bay Municipal Court Friday was Travis Lee Formby, 19, while his wife, Emma Yvonne Formby, 15, was slated for a hearing yesterday in the Juvenile Division of Los Angeles Superior Court.

The child bride was captured Friday night by Joseph Sheline of 7 Mustang avenue, Palos Verdes, when he found her wandering through his home, armed with an empty .22-caliber pistol.

Her husband fled, firing three shots into the air, but was later taken into custody at the couple's trailer home at 18616 South Figueroa street, Keystone, according to Lennox sheriffs.

Sheriff's deputies arrested Formby at the trailer where they found costume jewelry, coin boxes, trophies and other articles believed taken in recent burglaries.

The couple allegedly admitted committing at least two other burglaries in the past few days—one at a Redondo learn-to-swim school and the other at the home of Robert L. Ray, 1946 West 262nd street, Lomita.

Formby said he was a laborer. The couple were married September 21 in Tijuana, Mexico. Neither had been in trouble before.

"It's all my fault," the young wife said. "I just love pretty things. My husband was not working much of the time and couldn't afford to buy them for me."

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Problems
There are many types of troubles encountered in such a big business. Troubles pertaining to irrigation, water studies, salt problems, weed control, pest control, disease control, proper fertilization, the proper varieties, compaction of the soil, and many others.

There are a score of men in Southern California who devote full time to make these problems easier for you, both in work and money spent.

The University of California at Los Angeles has turf plot studies going on continuously, and may be inspected almost anytime. These plots are located on Veterans Avenue, which is East of Sepulveda Blvd., and

just South of Sunset Blvd. in West Los Angeles.

Many Types
Here you will see many types of interesting grasses being tested, both alone and in combination with others. There are several types of Bermuda being tested. Some of these are very fine bladed, and it is difficult to tell them from bentgrass. New types are being brought in from Africa and Iran.

You will see weed studies, and best controls for their elimination. Check plots are in close contact for comparison.

The fertilization of turf is also very important, and there are many comparison tests now going. It is interesting to observe how important the proper amount of food, and the distribution of it is to the turf in question.

Information Available
Results of these many experiments are released to the public through the press, through University publications, the Farm Advisors Office, and most important to the average homeowner, through his nursery and garden supply dealer.

One of the most important means of distributing this knowledge, however, is through "Turfgrass Field Days," where interested individuals visit and obtain the latest up to date information direct. Such a Field Day was recently held, which I attended. Important topics discussed and knowledge obtained will be released through this column from time to time.

Navajos Host New Tribe

The Navajo father and son Y-Indian Guide Tribe, headed by chief Sam Van Wagner will play host tonight to a newly organized tribe at the "wigwam" of Al Posner, 1728 Fern ave. More than thirty big and little "braves" are expected to attend.

The Navajo Tribe is the oldest tribe in the Torrance YMCA, having met for over two years. It is the custom for an established C-Indian Guide Tribe to sponsor new groups.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Wells, of 16708 Glenburn, announce the birth of a son, Joseph Charles, weighing 7 pounds and 8 ounces.

Troop 914 Holds Tea

The newly organized Intermediate Girl Scout troop 914 held a mother and father's tea recently, at the Central Evangelical Brethren church, which sponsors the group.

The leaders, Mrs. Harold Woodman and Mrs. Don Barnard and the girls were introduced to the Scout program by Senior Scouts from troop 1299. They discussed the way to

earn badges, camp activities, and a troop in the Philippines with whom the senior group have corresponded for many years.

The participating seniors were Paula Bischoff, Mary Margaret Blount, Loretta Robison, Barbara Krauszer, and Diane Hunter.



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